Muhilan Vila—Melakrishnanputhoor road.

304 * **MR. S. THIRAVIAM NADAR** (*Agastisvaram*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they are aware of the ryots' road from Muhilanvila to Melakrishnanputhoor in the Agastisvaram taluk ; and

(*b*) if so, whether they have taken any steps for the grant of maintenance ?

MR. G. B E TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) Yes

(*b*) The road in question will be taken up under departmental maintenance after the lands required therefor have been acquired and handed over to the P. W. D. But, the acquisition proceedings can be set on foot only after the full estimated value of the lands, whose owners are unwilling to surrender them free, is deposited by the villagers interested in the work.

Village roads in Edappalli.

305 * **MR. K. MAHOMED** (*Alwaye*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there are representations to convert the two village roads, *viz.*, (i) from the Edappalli Palace to Cheranalloor (Cochin State boundary) and (ii) from the Edappalli Railway Station to Cheranalloor (Cochin boundary) into cart-roads ;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, what action has been taken on those representations ;

(*c*) whether the Chief Engineer or the Executive Engineer at Alwaye visited these places ; and

(*d*) if so, the effect of their visits ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) (i) No

(ii) Yes.

(*b*) An estimate for (*a*) (ii) has been prepared by the Division Officer, Alwaye Division, but not submitted to Government. A report on the representation relating to the same road is, however, under the consideration of Government.

(*c*) The Executive Engineer has inspected the place.

(*d*) The question of improvements to (*a*) (ii) is under consideration.

Pechipara Dam.

306 * **MR. S. THIRAVIAM NADAR** (*Agastisvaram*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have taken into consideration the question of supplementing the Pechipara Reservoir ; and

(*b*) if so, with what results ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Investigation into the possibility of using Chittar No. I as an auxiliary Catchment to the Kodayar is being carried out by the P. W. D. Division Officer, Nagercoil.

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